

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims Status

Claims 1-6 and 10 are pending. Claim 1 is currently amended and finds support in paragraphs [0037]-[0040] of the specification, as originally filed. Claims 7 and 8 are currently canceled without prejudice and claim 9 was previously canceled without prejudice. Claims 2-6 remain in their original form and claim 10 remains in its previously presented form. No new matter is believed to have been entered.

§102(e) and §103(a) Rejections

Claims 1-4, 7, 8 and 10 are rejected as anticipated by Lin (US 2004/0104394), and claims 5-6 are rejected as obvious in view of Lin. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.

The claimed invention relates to an organic electroluminescent device (“OELD”) comprising an anode, an organic emitting layer and a cathode, stacked in this order, and a first emitting layer comprising a fluorescent dopant and a second emitting layer comprising a phosphorescent dopant, said first emitting layer and said second emitting layer being stacked in the organic emitting layer, wherein ... the fluorescent dopant is at least one compound selected from the group consisting of a compound represented by formula (9) ...; a compound represented by formula (10) ...; and a compound represented by formula (11) ... (see claim 1).

In contrast, Lin discloses an OELD wherein the fluorescent dopant is disclosed as being DSA (see [0019]-[0027] and claims 5 and 28). While Lin does not explicitly define DSA, Applicants submit that DSA is known in the art to be distyryl anthracene (see e.g., JP2001-131434, EP1811586, Optics Express, vol. 16, no. 17, 12632-12639, 2008, and J.Phys.Chem., vol. 113, no. 22, 9892-9899, 2009).

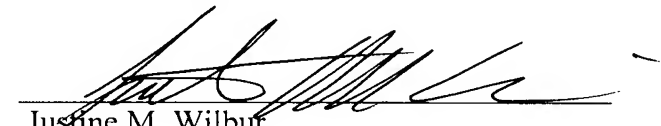
Accordingly, Applicants submit that Lin neither anticipates nor renders obvious the claimed invention because Lin's OELD using DSA as the fluorescent dopant does not disclose or suggest the claimed OELD having a compound of formula 9, 10 or 11 as the fluorescent dopant. As such, Applicants request withdrawal of the anticipation and obviousness rejections over Lin.

Conclusion

For the reasons discussed above, Applicants submit that all now-pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the rejections and passage of this case to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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